REMARKS

Claims 2 to 34, 36 to 39, and 41 to 95 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 1, 35, and 40 are currently pending.

The specification has been amended to include the Substitute Sequence Listing filed in parent U.S. Patent Application No. 09/399,003 on July 18, 2002. The specification has also been amended to include updated priority information. The amendments add no new matter.

Michael R. Albrecht, an attorney at Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner, L.L.P., informed the undersigned that the paper copy of the Substitute Sequence Listing is identical to the computer readable form (CRF) copy of the Sequence Listing filed in parent U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/399,003, filed September 20, 1999, and adds no new matter. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(e), please use the CRF filed in that application as the CRF for the instant application. It is understood that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary change in application number and filing date for the instant application.

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